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January 14, 2015***Applications Accepted for 2015 National Veterans Wheelchair Games****World's largest annual wheelchair sports event for disabled U.S. Veterans*

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is accepting applications for the 2015 National Veterans Wheelchair Games. Registration began in early January and will close April 15.

The National Veterans Wheelchair Games is a sports and rehabilitation program for military service Veterans who use wheelchairs for sports competition due to spinal cord injuries, amputations or certain neurological problems. [Each year](#), hundreds of disabled Veterans travel from around the country to compete in the Games, which is the largest annual wheelchair sports event in the world. With them, they bring the fighting spirit and tenacity that defines the Veterans of our Armed Forces.

"I encourage all eligible Veterans to take this opportunity to prove yet again that disability does not mean inability," said VA Secretary Robert McDonald.

Competitive events at the National Veterans Wheelchair Games include air guns, archery, basketball, bowling, field events, hand cycling, a motorized wheelchair rally, nine-ball, power soccer, quad rugby, slalom, softball, swimming, table tennis, track, trapshooting and weightlifting. Athletes compete in all events against others with similar athletic ability, competitive experience or age.

The 2015 National Veterans Wheelchair Games will take place in Dallas, Texas, from June 21-26. The Games are cosponsored by VA and Paralyzed Veterans of America, VA's partner in this annual event since 1985. For more information, please visit www.wheelchairgames.org and follow VA Adaptive Sports on Twitter at @VAAdaptiveSport.

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